

Remarks

Claims 1-14 were pending.

Claims 2 and 11 are original.

Claims 1, 3-10, 12 and 14 are amended.

Claim 13 is cancelled.

Claims 15-18 are new.

The application now contains claims 1-12, and 15-18.

Claims 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8 are amended to remove multiple ranges. Claims 10, 12 and 14 are amended to remove multiple dependencies. Claim 4 is amended to remove both multiple ranges and multiple dependencies.

Claim 1 is also amended for clarity and consistency by amending the punctuation, introducing the word "optionally" in four places and making other minor adjustments in the wording. Claim 1 is further amended for clarity by replacing the phrase "a haloalkyl group, a haloalkenyl group, a haloalkynyl group" with the phrase "said C₁-C₂₅alkyl group, alkenyl group alkynyl group substituted partially or wholly by halogen"; support is found in the specification on page 37, lines 1-2.

Claim 3 is also amended for clarity and consistency by amending the punctuation.

Claim 4 is amended to delete "/or" immediately preceding the description of T near the end of the claim and to replace "or" with "and" between structures VIe and VIf within the description of T.

Claim 7 is amended to delete the phrase "D and E are as defined in claim 4" and to include the limitations for D and E as recited in claim 4. Support is found in original claims 7 and 4.

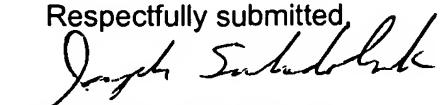
Claim 9 is amended to delete ", T" from the first line following the formula VII and to include the limitations for T as recited in claim 4. Support is found in original claims 9 and 4.

Claim 15 is added to reclaim material deleted from claim 1. Claims 16 and 17 are added to reclaim material deleted from claim 3. Claim 18 is added to reclaim material deleted from claim 5.

No new matter is added.

Consideration of the present claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,



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